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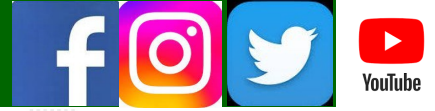
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Paw Prints



Family Newsletter

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear GNBVT Families,

Welcome to the 2022-2023 school year and to the first edition of the Paw Prints Family Newsletter. This communication is scheduled to be published bi-monthly sharing important dates, events, announcements and spotlight news.

Students and staff returned to the building last week, welcoming the class of 2026 on Monday and soon the seniors will gather for the annual class photo forming a '23', the first of many memorable senior traditions ahead for the year. Student life is in full swing on campus offering many opportunities to join clubs and activities. Next week, students will receive information about all the available activities.

Your participation is valued in the POSSIP surveys being sent via text and email. Your responses are important and help us to shape our school. Please watch for them arriving in your messages.

For your convenience, a link to the one page 2022-2023 School Calendar is found in the Important Links section on this page.

Thank you in advance for your help ensuring a safe, happy and healthy start of the year.

Warley Williams
Principal

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- POSSIP Surveys
- Student Picture Day
- Health Office Reminders
- Diversity Equity & Inclusion Welcome
- Family Engagement Community Events

Upcoming Events

Tues Sept 13: Student Picture Day

Mon Sept 19 Student Picture Day

Mon Oct 10: Columbus Day—No School

Wed Oct 12: Progress reports issued

Student Picture Day Reminder



Mare Studios & Gallery will be here on Tues Sept 13 & Mon Sept 19 to take student photos. Please see order sheet previously sent to parents for pricing.

Mare Studios

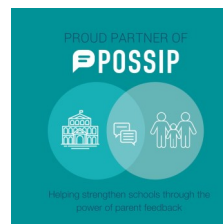
Your voice matters!

POSSIP Surveys

GNB Voc-Tech HS contacts families by text message and email using a service called Possip, which is also used by 1300 schools and almost one million people across the country. GNB Voc-Tech HS uses Possip to ask for and receive feedback on your happiness and experience with our school/s. GNB Voc-Tech HS and Possip do not share any of your information, and follow federal regulations on student and user privacy.

GNB Voc-Tech HS has the ability to send text messages via Possip. Text messages are used to gather feedback, praise, questions and ideas from you, and you may participate anonymously each and every time you share. You may also opt out of receiving text messages and still share by email.

You can make sure you have updated your contact information on file by calling the school or [filling out this form](#). To learn more about Possip, visit www.possip.com.



Important Links:

[2022-2023 One Page School Calendar](#)

[School Cycle Calendar](#)

[Family Engagement Center](#)



From the Health Office



Questionnaires, Physical and Immunization Forms

Welcome back, here is to a healthy & happy start to the school year!!

- 9th graders/YOG 2026–Please turn in your health questionnaire, physical and updated immunization records.
- 11th grade/YOG 2024–Please turn in your updated immunization records to include proof of your 2nd meningococcal vaccination in support of DPH requirements.

Student Life

Clubs & Activities

A Google Form will be emailed to all students on Monday, September 12th to sign up for one/or more of the 23 clubs we currently offer to our students. Please preview using link below.

[2022-2023 GNBVT Club Sign Up](#)

Drama Auditions for CLUE



A U D I T I O N S

In The Auditorium

For the Fall - 2022 Production of

Clue!

Tuesday – September 13

5:30-8:30 PM

Wednesday – September 14

5:30-8:30 PM

CASTING FOR 15± MALE AND FEMALE ROLES
ALL STUDENTS ARE INVITED TO PARTICIPATE!
A GREAT OPPORTUNITY TO PERFORM ON STAGE...

Technical Crew Needed, Too!

SIGN UP FOR AUDITION TIME AND GENERAL & TECH CREW INFORMATION AND REQUIREMENTS LOCATED OUTSIDE DRAMA OFFICE – ACROSS FROM B139 (BACKSTAGE) AFTER SCHOOL ONLY: 2:30 - 3:00 SEPTEMBER 07 AND 08

*Looking forward to seeing you!
Mrs. Morrissey - Artistic Director*

From the Guidance Department

We hope you enjoyed the summer break and are ready to work hard this school year!

We are excited to have you here and can't wait for a successful year!



- Guidance counselors will be speaking with students in the respective CVTE and related classes. They will be discussing college/career readiness.
- We ask that students and parents/guardians use the Aspen portal to check on grades.
- Any questions regarding grades, please reach out to the teachers first.
- Algebra 1, Algebra 2, and Geometry tutoring will begin soon. Please see your guidance counselor if you would like more information.
- The library is available after school Mondays-Thursdays from 3:00-4:00 for students to do their homework. There is a 4:00 bus available.
- Please be on the lookout for PSAT and SAT information.

If at any time, you or your child is in need of social emotional support, please contact the guidance office.



A message from the Director of Equity, Diversity, Inclusion and Family Engagement-

Yolanda Dennis

Welcome back faculty, staff and students! As we start off the new school year, GNBVT is committed to providing a welcoming environment for students to learn, study and be successful in your academic programs. For our teachers and staff, I will continue to ensure a welcoming environment that empowers you to be champions of change which will enhance diversity, equity and inclusion efforts within your classrooms and CVTE shops.

Over the academic school year, there will be opportunities where we, as a school community, will celebrate unique attributes, characteristics, perspectives, and create brave safe spaces where no matter how you identify, have an opportunity to be heard and supported regardless of race, ethnicity, gender, disability, religion, sexual orientation or economically disadvantaged.

We are making significant strides in advancing diversity, equity and inclusion within our learning and working community and will continue to be committed to these values. I am proud of the work that we are doing and looking forward to continue the work together. Thank you for your ongoing commitment to embracing differences and striving for an inclusive learning environment for all.

Family Engagement Center

As the summer comes to a close and a new school year begins, the Family Engagement Team would like to welcome all of our returning students, faculty, and staff back to school. We also wish to welcome our new Freshmen class of 2026 to our school. Our team enjoyed meeting many of you and your families during Freshmen Orientation. We look forward to spending more time with students and families during future events. Keep an eye on your inbox and the Family Engagement calendar on our website for news on upcoming projects and events.



The Family Engagement Team looks forward to welcoming students, faculty, and families to our newly renovated center at J139. We are happy to assist with accessing a wide variety of community based resources to meet the needs of your students as well as your families. We look forward to seeing you at school wide events that we will be hosting throughout the year. We have partnered with the Youth Program through the MassHire Greater New Bedford Workforce Board and will be bringing lots of career readiness programming to students and families.

Stay Tuned!

You may access the Family Engagement Center website at:

<https://www.gnbvt.edu/family-engagement-center/>

Upcoming Community Events:

September 8th, 15th, 22nd, and 29th:

Mobile Market: United Way of Greater New Bedford provides FREE fresh produce to those in need on Thursdays from 5:30 PM - 7:00 PM. The market will be available in two locations:

- North- BankFive
1724 Acushnet Ave.
- South-BankFive
160 County St.

September 13: Anti-Bullying Presentation- 6:00 PM-7:30 PM, Dartmouth Public Library- 211 Cross Road, Dartmouth

Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Statement

Greater New Bedford Regional Vocational Technical High School fosters an inclusive environment that values the diversity of our school community and respects individual differences. Each individual is embraced, celebrated, and treated equitably. We aim to foster a dialogue conducive to learning, acceptance, and cultural enrichment. GNB Voc-Tech promotes its commitment to diversity, equity and inclusion through discussion, education, and promotion of an environment that encourages scholarship, learning, and respect for diverse backgrounds and viewpoints to prepare students for lives in a multicultural society.